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King Naugus' apprentice, the former hero Geoffrey St. John, is now standing trial for betraying his comrades.

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## Who's Who

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
HERO OF MOBIUS

GEOFFREY ST. JOHN
TRAITOR AND IXIS APPRENTICE

IXIS NAUGUS
(EVIL) WIZARD

ELIAS ACORN
FORMER KING OF NEW MOBOTROPOLIS

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JUST OUTSIDE OF NEW MOBOTROPOLIS.
WOW...IT LOOKS LIKE THE BATTLE BIRD ARMADA IS CUTTING ITS LOSSES AND JUST EVACUATING THE CRASH VICTIMS.
I DON'T THINK WE'LL HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THEM FOR A WHILE.*
GOOD! IT'S ABOUT TIME WE CAUGHT A BREAK.
*THE ARMADA INVADED NEW MOBOTROPOLIS IN "BABYLON RISING" IN SU #33-36, ON SALE NOW!

# THE TRIAL OF GEOFFREY ST. JOHN

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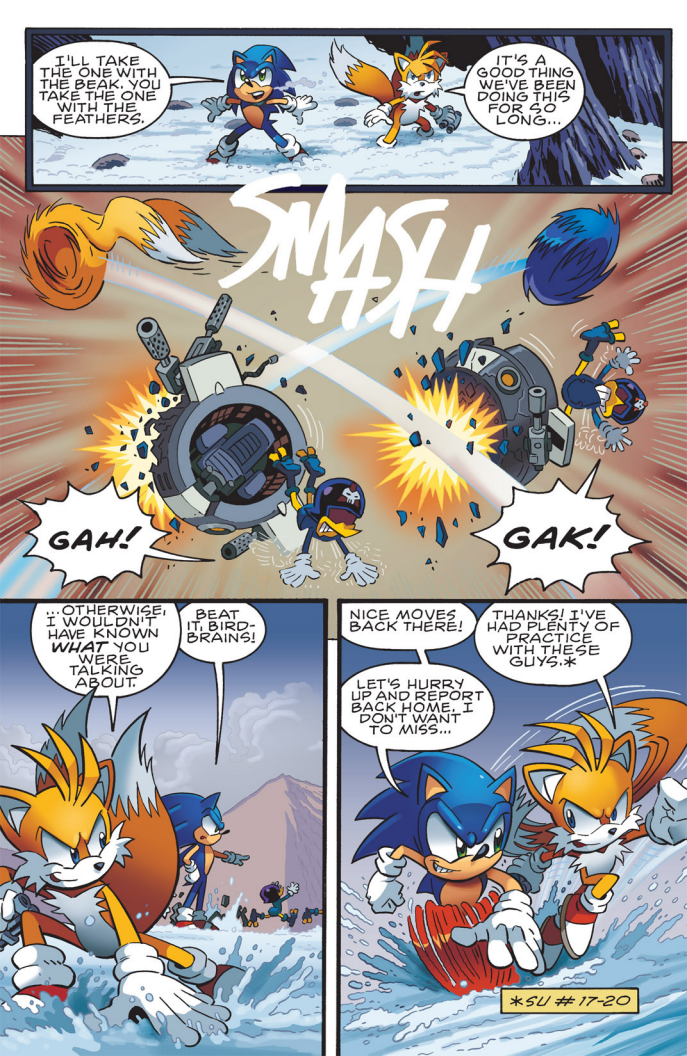

I'LL TAKE THE ONE WITH THE BEAK. YOU TAKE THE ONE WITH THE FEATHERS.
IT'S A GOOD THING WE'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR SO LONG...
SMASH
GAH!
GAK!
...OTHERWISE, I WOULDN'T HAVE KNOWN WHAT YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT.
BEAT IT, BIRD-BRAINS!
NICE MOVES BACK THERE!
THANKS! I'VE HAD PLENTY OF PRACTICE WITH THESE GUYS.*
LET'S HURRY UP AND REPORT BACK HOME. I DON'T WANT TO MISS...
*SU #17-20

"...THE BIG TRIAL FOR THAT STINKING TRAITOR!"
CIVIC CENTER, NEW MOBOTROPOLIS...
ORDER, ORDER, PLEASE. HONORABLE JUDGES HIP AND HOP WILL PASS JUDGMENT IN TODAY'S CASE...
...WITH KING NAUGUS PRESIDING, COMMANDER D'COOLETTE WILL PROSECUTE...
...WHILE THE DEFENDANT HAS ELECTED TO BE HIS OWN DEFENSE.
HMPH.
LET'S GET THIS OVER WITH.
NOW, ZEN... COMMANDER GEOFFREY ST. JOHN OF ZE ROYAL SECRET SERVICE. YOU ARE CHARGED WITH TREASON.
HOW DO YOU PLEAD?
NOT GUILTY.
CERTAINLY HIS *MAJESTY* IS NOT OPPOSED TO *JUSTICE*, HMMM?
BAH! I MEAN... OF COURSE NOT.

YOU SERVED IN ZE REBEL UNDERGROUND AND SECRET SERVICE, BOTH IN SERVICE TO KING MAXIMILLIAN ACORN, NON?
I LED THEM, YES.
AND YOU RECENTLY ASSISTED IXIS NAUGUS IN ZE TAKING OF ZE THRONE, OUI?
YES. AN APPRENTICE MUST SERVE HIS MASTER.
ZEN ZE CASE IS SHUT-AND OPENED! YOU ARE GUILTY!
NAUGUS HAS BEEN THE RIGHTFUL KING FOR YEARS! I SERVED HIM LONG BEFORE I WORKED WITH KING MAX!
SINCE YOU HAVE NOT SEEN FIT...
...TO TELL HOW YOU CAME INTO SERVICE OF ANYONE OVER ZE YEARS...
...PERHAPS YOU WILL FILL IN ZE COURT NOW?
...IT WAS DURING THE GREAT WAR.
MY FATHER WAS KILLED BY OVER-LANDERS ON A MISSION FOR KING ACORN.*
I WAS GOING THROUGH HIS BELONGINGS, NAMELY THOSE FROM HIS INVESTIGATION OF WARLORD KODOS.
THAT'S WHEN I FOUND AN IXIS ARTIFACT...
IAN ST. JOHN? IS THAT YOU?
*SEEN IN KNUCKLES ARCHIVES VOLUME 4 --COMING SOON!

UM...N-NO... I'M HIS SON. DAD IS...MY DAD IS GONE.
THE OLD ROYAL WIZARD ...?
AHH! GEOFFREY! YOU POOR BOY. THIS IS IXIS NAUGUS. DO YOU RE-MEMBER?
THAT'S RIGHT! I SPEAK TO YOU FROM ANOTHER ZONE...!
KODOS IS HERE WITH ME. HE TELLS ME AN OVERLANDER IS WARLORD NOW?
YES.
THE VERY RACE...
...WHO STARTED THIS WAR AND...I'LL BET THEY KILLED YOUR FATHER, DIDN'T THEY?
YES. I HATE THEM! ALL OF THEM!
LISTEN TO ME--THE NEW WARLORD, THIS OVERLANDER, CAN'T BE TRUSTED. THE KINGDOM IS IN DANGER ONLY I CAN SET IT RIGHT. IT'S GOOD YOU FOUND MY ARTIFACT, FOR I NEED SOME-ONE TO PREPARE FOR MY RETURN.
YOU MEAN... ME? BUT SHOULDN'T WE WARN THE KING FIRST?
THE KING IS AN OVERLANDER-LOVING FOOL. HIS TRUST IN THEM IS WHAT LED TO WAR YOU, HOWEVER...
...ARE YOUNG AND FULL OF POTENTIAL. YOU UNDERSTAND THAT THE OVERLANDERS ARE DANGEROUS. I WILL GUIDE YOU. TRUST ME. TOGETHER, WE WILL SAVE THE KINGDOM.
...OKAY. WHAT SHOULD I DO FIRST?
"I GATHERED PLANS AND MANUALS FROM MY FATHER AND OTHER GENERALS TO TRAIN BY AND TO PREPARE FOR NAUGUS' RETURN.
"JUST AS PREDICTED, DR. ROBOTNIK TURNED ON THE KINGDOM AND CONQUERED THE CITY. THE KING'S WHEREABOUTS WERE UNKNOWN."

"I HEADED WEST. BY DAY I TRAINED BY MY FATHER'S MANUALS--
"--AND LEARNED IXIS WIND MAGIC BY NIGHT. THAT IS, WHEN THE ZONE OF SILENCE* WASN'T DISRUPTING THE MESSAGES. IT WAS A... STRUGGLE TO LEARN ON MY OWN."
*THE POCKET DIMENSION THAT NAUGUS SPEAKS TO GEOFFREY THROUGH. --EDITOR.
"THEN CAME THE BIG TURNING POINT..."
GOOD NEWS, APPRENTICE! I FOUND KING ACORN AND RESCUED HIM. HE'S RECOGNIZED HIS MISTAKES AND HAS SWORN HIS FEALTY TO ME. THE CROWN IS RIGHTFULLY MINE!
PREPARE MOBOTROPOLIS FOR MY RETURN.
"EASIER SAID THAN DONE, RIGHT? THANKS TO THE MATERIALS I'D TAKEN, I KNEW WHERE TO LOOK FOR RECRUITS."
SMILEY! LOOK! IT'S IAN'S BOY!
AND WAIT UNTIL YOU HEAR ABOUT HIS PLANS FOR A "REBEL UNDERGROUND"!
"I WHIPPED THE REBEL UNDERGROUND INTO SHAPE, AND WE WORKED OUR WAY EAST. EVENTUALLY WE LINKED UP WITH THE KNOTHOLE FREEDOM FIGHTERS AND, WELL, YOU KNOW THE REST."*
*SONIC ARCHIVES VOLUME 5.

IF YOU WERE TRULY ZIS IXIS ALL ALONG, WHY DID YOU HELP RESCUE ZE KING FROM ZE ZONE OF SILENCE?*
*SONIC ARCHIVES VOLUME 11.
THE ZONE WAS FALL-ING APART AROUND US.
I DID WHAT I COULD TO STABILIZE THE ZONE AND SAVE MY MASTER. BESIDES, MAX HAD ALREADY SWORN THE CROWN TO NAUGUS. I DIDN'T REALIZE HE WOULD BE SO...
...ADDLED.
AFTER WE RECLAIMED ZE CITY FROM ROBOTNIK, A PROBE WAS SENT INTO ZE ZONE. IT FREED NAUGUS AND HIS MINIONS-- OBVIOUSLY YOUR MEDDLING. WHY DID YOU NOT SIDE WITH HIM ZEN?**
**SONIC ARCHIVES VOLUME 14.
BECAUSE MY MASTER IS ABOUT AS SUBTLE AS A BRICK. BEFORE I SABOTAGED THE PROBE, I TOLD HIM COMING ON TOO STRONG WOULDN'T GO OVER WELL. I KEPT UP THE CHARADE SO I COULD SALVAGE THE SITUATION, AND HE ALLOWED ME TO CON-TINUE MY TACTIC WHILE HE DID HIS THING.

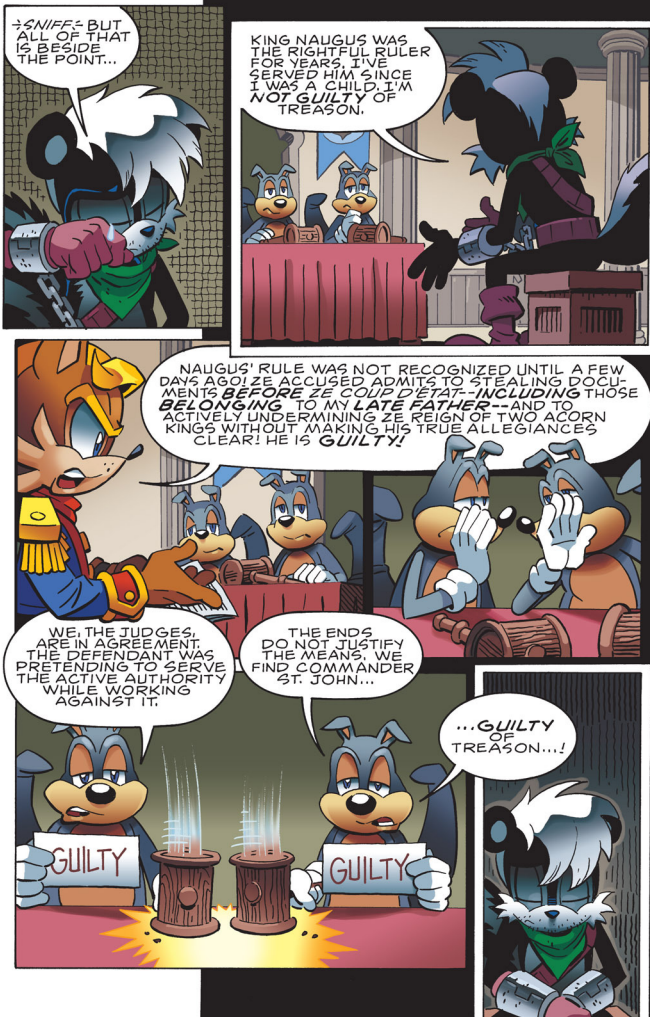
AND ANYWAY, I WAS RIGHT TO DO SO. MAX CONFIRMED NAUGUS' CLAIM, BUT SALLY REFUSED TO ACCEPT IT. THINGS ONLY DETERIORATED FROM THERE. THEN SONIC AND TAILS CHASED NAUGUS OFF TO THE SOUTHERN TUNDRA AND HE GOT SEALED IN THE ZONE OF SILENCE AGAIN.* SO I SET ABOUT BUILDING A STRONGER KINGDOM FOR HIM TO RETURN TO.
*SONIC ARCHIVES VOLUME 17.
YOU ALSO HAND-PICKED ZE ROSTER FOR YOUR NEW SECRET SERVICE.
RIGHT ...WHAT OF IT?
TWO FORMER BADNIKS, AN UNKNOWN AGENT FROM ANGEL ISLAND...
...A FOREIGN FREEDOM FIGHTER, AND ZE WOMAN RESPONSIBLE FOR NEARLY KILLING PRINCESS SALLY.**
**"END-GAME" --SONIC ARCHIVES VOLUMES 12-13.
ANY ONE OF THEM COULD HAVE BEEN EASILY FRAMED FOR ACTIONS AGAINST ZE KINGDOM DUE TO THEIR PASTS OR UNKNOWN STATUSES!
HEH. PRETTY DEVIOUS, BUT KNOWING VALDEZ FROM MY TIME ABROAD, I DOUBT IT'D HAVE BEEN EASY TO PIN ANYTHING ON THAT SHINOBI CLAN SPY.

OH? AND YET HE WAS ZE ONLY ONE ROBOTICIZED. CONVENIENT, HUH?
HE WAS A GOOD MAN, AND HE FELL WHILE PROTECTING THE PEOPLE.
DON'T BELITTLE HIS SACRIFICE BY BLAMING ME!
YOU APPOINTED YOURSELF PRINCE ELIAS' ADVISOR WHEN HE FIRST TOOK COMMAND. UNDER YOUR DIRECTION, SONIC--ZE HERO OF MOBIUS--
--LOST HIS KNIGHTHOOD!* ELIAS WAS DRIVEN FROM ZE THRONE! **
YOU WERE OBVIOUSLY ATTEMPTING TO UNDERMINE ZE ROYAL FAMILY.
*StH #93. **StH # 102.
AND AFTER THAT, THE KINGDOM OF KNOTHOLE GREW INTO SOMETHING RESPECTABLE.
EVERYTHING I DID BENEFITTED THE KINGDOM ITSELF AND SET IT UP FOR THE TRUE KING.
WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, THE AUTHORITY OF THE PRINCE AND PRINCESS WAS NEVER LEGITIMATE. BUT--THEIR IMAGE KEPT THE KINGDOM UNDER CONTROL.

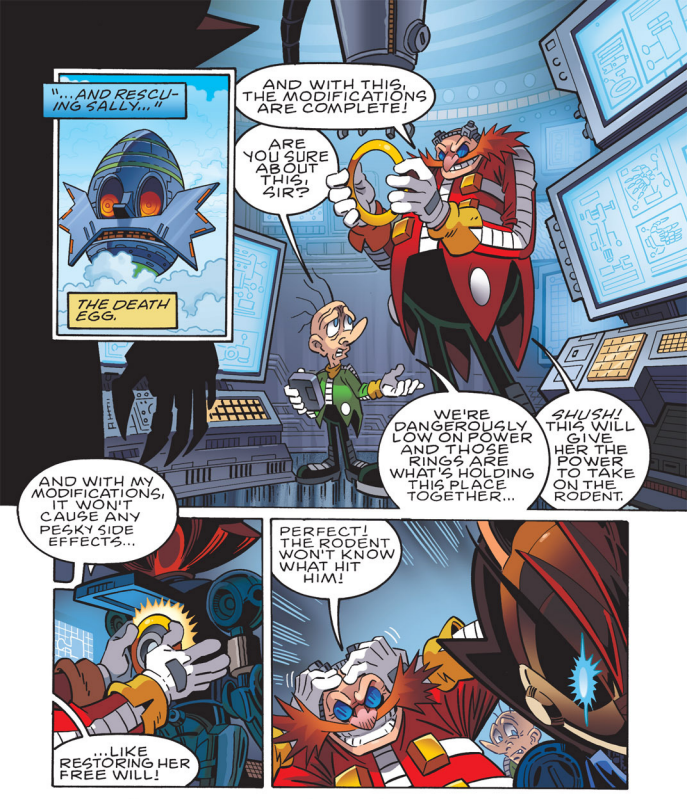
AND YOUR MARRIAGE TO HERSHEY CAT WAS ALL PART OF ZE RUSE, ZEN?
SHE WAS ANOTHER PAWN IN YOUR LITTLE GAME?
DON'T YOU DARE BELITTLE HER, YOU POMPOUS--!
ORDER! ORDER IN THE COURT!
THE DEFENDANT WILL CONTROL HIMSELF...
...DURING THESE PROCEEDINGS!
OF...OF COURSE.
BUT YOU HAVE TO UNDER-STAND...

"...SHE SAVED ME WHEN I WAS AT MY LOWEST. MY TEAM HAD BEEN DESTROYED.* NAUGUS HAD GONE SILENT. I GUESS HE WAS BUSY FUSING THE ZONE OF SILENCE AND THE VOID.**
"I HAD FAILED MY MISSIONS FOR MY MASTER AND AS A SECRET AGENT.
*STH #102. **STH #163.
"HERSHEY HAD BEEN MY BEST STUDENT. SHE LEARNED EVERYTHING I HAD TO TEACH... ABOUT BEING A SECRET AGENT. AND THEN SHE TAUGHT ME. HOW TO LOVE. HOW TO LIVE...
"...FOR MORE THAN THE MISSION.
"SHE WAS MY PARTNER--IN LIFE AS WELL AS IN THE FIELD. WE WERE MARRIED AT GUNPOINT, AND IT SOMEHOW FELT... RIGHT. SHE... WAS MY EQUAL. SHE WAS MY... EVERYTHING. I FELT... FREE, LIKE I SUDDENLY HAD A NEW DIRECTION IN LIFE.***"
*** STH #130.
...AND WHAT HAPPENED TO HER?

"WITH JUST THE TWO OF US LEFT, WE HAD TO SPLIT UP...
"I SPENT TIME IN THE UNITED FEDERATION'S TERRITORIES WHILE SHE FOLLOWED UP ON ACTIVITY IN SOUMERCA."*
*MOBIUS' SOUTH AMERICA
"WHEN SHE WENT SILENT FOR TOO LONG, I INVESTIGATED.
"I INVESTIGATED THE SCENE MYSELF. I COMBED THE AREA FOR DAYS.
"THE FELIDAE EVENTUALLY GAVE ME THE INFORMATION I NEEDED. SHE'D BEEN LIVING AMONG THEM TO SPY ON THE LOCAL D.E.L. CHAPTER. SHE... DIED WHILE UNDER COVER.
"I... JUST COULDN'T FIND ANY TRACE OF HER.
"I HAD LOST THE ONLY OTHER DIRECTION IN MY LIFE.
"I KNEW NAUGUS WAS FREE. I'D SEEN HOW CLOSE WE CAME TO LOSING EVERYTHING TO THE IRON DOMINION.** SO... I WENT BACK TO COMPLETE THE OTHER PURPOSE IN MY LIFE."***
**STH #210-211.
***STH #219-220.


-SNIFF- BUT ALL OF THAT IS BESIDE THE POINT...
KING NAUGUS WAS THE RIGHTFUL RULER FOR YEARS, I'VE SERVED HIM SINCE I WAS A CHILD. I'M NOT GUILTY OF TREASON.
NAUGUS' RULE WAS NOT RECOGNIZED UNTIL A FEW DAYS AGO! ZE ACCUSED ADMITS TO STEALING DOCUMENTS BEFORE ZE COUP D'ETAT--INCLUDING THOSE BELONGING TO MY LATE FATHER--AND TO ACTIVELY UNDERMINING ZE REIGN OF TWO ACORN KINGS WITHOUT MAKING HIS TRUE ALLEGIANCES CLEAR! HE IS GUILTY!
WE, THE JUDGES, ARE IN AGREEMENT. THE DEFENDANT WAS PRETENDING TO SERVE THE ACTIVE AUTHORITY WHILE WORKING AGAINST IT.
THE ENDS DO NOT JUSTIFY THE MEANS. WE FIND COMMANDER ST. JOHN...
GUILTY
GUILTY
...GUILTY OF TREASON...!

WOO! IN YOUR FACE, YA JERK!
WELL DONE, SUGAR-TWAN!
WELL DONE, COMMANDER!
THANK YOU, YOUR MAJ--
-:AHEM!:-
COURT IS STILL IN SESSION... AND ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONAL CONSTITUTION, SECTION L, PARAGRAPH 75: "THE KING IS GRANTED ONE ANNUAL PARDON THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE THE RATIFICATION OF THE COUNCIL!"
THEREFORE, AS KING, I FORMALLY PARDON THE DEFENDANT.
I BELIEVE JUSTICE HAS BEEN SERVED AND THE MATTER SETTLED.
WAIT ...WHAT JUST HAPPENED?
ANTOINE WON THE CASE, BUT GEOFFREY GETS OFF SCOT-FREE, THANKS TO NAUGUS!
EASY THERE, HON. YOU DID YOUR BEST OUT THERE.
AND TODAY HAD SUCH A PROMISING START.
I HATE TO SAY IT, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE WE CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT GEOFFREY AND NAUGUS FOR NOW. WE SHOULD FOCUS ON HELPING NICOLE...


"...AND RESCUING SALLY..."
THE DEATH EGG.
AND WITH THIS, THE MODIFICATIONS ARE COMPLETE!
ARE YOU SURE ABOUT THIS, SIR?
WE'RE DANGEROUSLY LOW ON POWER AND THOSE RINGS ARE WHAT'S HOLDING THIS PLACE TOGETHER...
SHUSH! THIS WILL GIVE HER THE POWER TO TAKE ON THE RODENT.
AND WITH MY MODIFICATIONS, IT WON'T CAUSE ANY PESKY SIDE EFFECTS...
...LIKE RESTORING HER FREE WILL!
PERFECT! THE RODENT WON'T KNOW WHAT HIT HIM!

WHAT EVIL IS *DR. EGGMAN* PLOTTING THIS TIME? YOU *CANNOT MISS* THE NEXT ISSUE WHEN SONIC MUST FACE THE *"UNTHINKABLE"...!* UNTIL THEN, ENJOY *SONIC UNIVERSE*, *SONIC SUPER SPECIAL MAGAZINE*, AND THE MANY, MANY *SONIC GRAPHIC NOVELS!*

FROM THE SHADOWS
MOTHER, YOU HAVE TO COME WITH US! IT'S NOT SAFE FOR US HERE WITH NAUGUS AS KING. MEG AND I KNOW FERAL FOREST, AND THE VILLAGERS WILL GLADLY TAKE US ALL IN.
I'M SORRY, ELIAS, BUT WE CAN'T GO.
WHY NOT?
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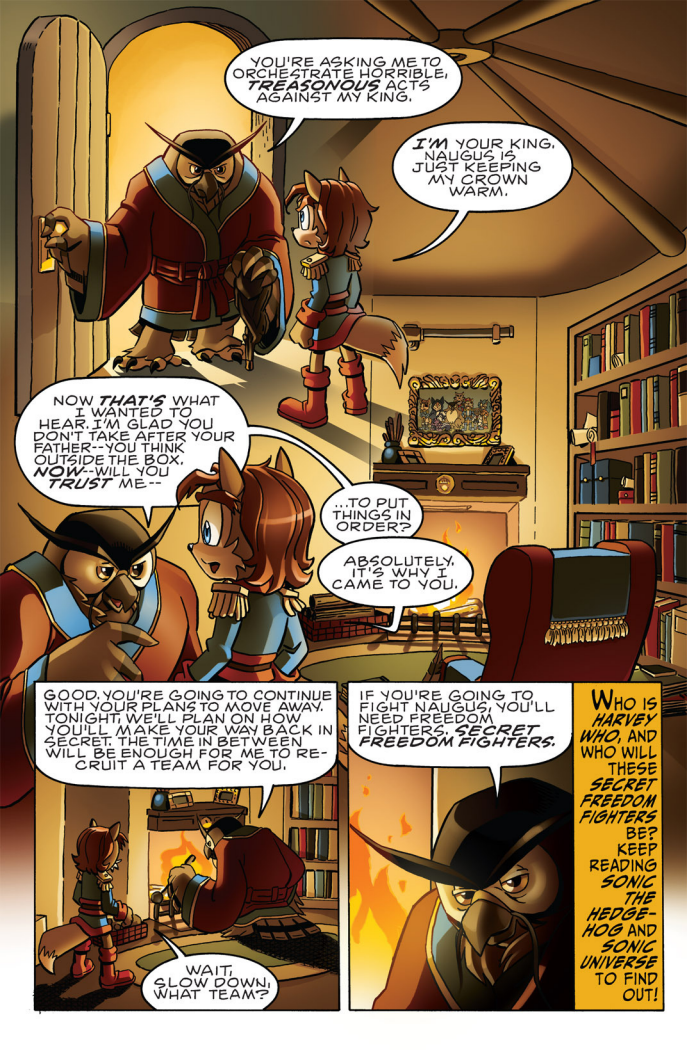
MAXIMILLIAN HAS MADE UP HIS MIND TO STAY, AND I WILL NOT LEAVE HIS SIDE.
CROWN... CROWN BELONGS TO THE ACORNS.
KINGDOM OF ACORN. WON'T LEAVE MY KINGDOM.
GEOFFREY... SUPPOSED TO HELP ME...WHY? WHY DID HE...?

MOTHER, WE BOTH KNOW FATHER ISN'T WELL. HE'S NOT EVEN ABLE TO THINK CLEARLY. CONVINCE HIM TO COME WITH US.
REGARDLESS OF WHO HOLDS THE CROWN...
...MAXIMILLIAN IS MY KING AND HUSBAND. I HAVE A DUTY TO HIM, AND I WILL NOT LEAVE HIS SIDE. ...PLEASE, ELIAS...IT'S BAD ENOUGH THAT SALLY IS GONE.
DON'T SEPARATE US FURTHER.
BUT...BUT...RRGH! NO MATTER WHAT I CHOOSE TO DO, IT'S WRONG! SOMEBODY WILL BE LEFT VULNERABLE, OR HURT, OR--!
ELI, LISTEN...
YOU'RE DOING YOUR BEST IN A NO-WIN SITUATION.
I UNDERSTAND YOU DON'T WANT TO LEAVE THEM BEHIND, NOT AFTER WE JUST LOST SALLY. BUT IT WAS YOUR CROWN HE TOOK. ELI... PLEASE. I--I ALREADY SAW MY FIRST HUSBAND DIE.
I JUST... D-DON'T WANT TO LOSE YOU, TOO.
I WANT TO PROTECT YOU. TO PROTECT THIS FAMILY.
BUT EVEN MOVING BACK TO FERAL FOREST, I KNOW THAT WITH NAUGUS AS KING, WE'LL NEVER TRULY BE SAFE...

"I HAVE TO DO SOMETHING..."
...HELLO? DIRECTOR WHO? IT'S KING... IT'S ELIAS ACORN. I'D LIKE TO SPEAK WITH YOU.
DIRECTOR? DIRECTOR? I RETIRED FROM DIRECTOR OF THE SECRET SERVICE WHEN MAX PUT THAT SKUNK IN CHARGE OF THINGS.
WHAT DO YOU WANT, BOY?
UM, WELL... MY FATHER SPOKE HIGHLY OF YOU. HE SAID THAT, DURING HIS RULE, YOU WERE ALWAYS THERE TO WATCH HIS BACK.
HMPH... DID HE NOW? SEEMS HE'S LOST MORE OF HIS MARBLES THAN I'D HEARD.

WHAT DO YOU--?
I *TOLD* HIM I DIDN'T TRUST KODOS, BUT HE MADE HIM WARLORD! I *TOLD* HIM TO KICK OUT NAUGUS, BUT HE BOOTED MORGAN INSTEAD! I *TOLD* HIM NOT TO TRUST THAT OVERLANDER, AND HE LET ROBOTNIK TAKE IT ALL OVER! I *HAD* TO WATCH HIS BACK BECAUSE HE *NEVER* LISTENED TO ME!
THE PROWERS WERE RIGHT. THE ACORNS FUMBLED THEIR REIGN. SO YOU GO ON AND RUN AWAY AND LET NAUGUS HAVE HIS CROWN. GOOD NIGHT.
WHUD!
YOU AND I BOTH KNOW NAUGUS' AMBITIONS WON'T END AT THE CROWN. I HAVE TO FIND A WAY TO FIGHT HIM WITHOUT FIGHTING THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE. YOU'RE THE *ONLY* MAN WHO KNOWS HOW TO STRIKE FROM THE SHADOWS LIKE THAT.
PLEASE, HELP ME.


YOU'RE ASKING ME TO ORCHESTRATE HORRIBLE, TREASONOUS ACTS AGAINST MY KING.
I'M YOUR KING. NAUGUS IS JUST KEEPING MY CROWN WARM.
NOW THAT'S WHAT I WANTED TO HEAR. I'M GLAD YOU DON'T TAKE AFTER YOUR FATHER--YOU THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX. NOW--WILL YOU TRUST ME--
...TO PUT THINGS IN ORDER?
ABSOLUTELY. IT'S WHY I CAME TO YOU.
GOOD. YOU'RE GOING TO CONTINUE WITH YOUR PLANS TO MOVE AWAY. TONIGHT, WE'LL PLAN ON HOW YOU'LL MAKE YOUR WAY BACK IN SECRET. THE TIME IN BETWEEN WILL BE ENOUGH FOR ME TO RECRUIT A TEAM FOR YOU.
WAIT, SLOW DOWN. WHAT TEAM?
IF YOU'RE GOING TO FIGHT NAUGUS, YOU'LL NEED FREEDOM FIGHTERS. SECRET FREEDOM FIGHTERS.
WHO IS HARVEY WHO, AND WHO WILL THESE SECRET FREEDOM FIGHTERS BE? KEEP READING SONIC THE HEDGEHOG AND SONIC UNIVERSE TO FIND OUT!

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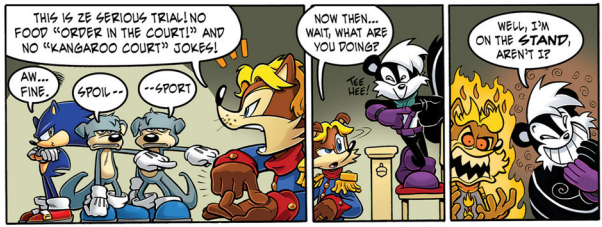
THIS IS ZE SERIOUS TRIAL! NO FOOD "ORDER IN THE COURT!" AND NO "KANGAROO COURT" JOKES!
AW... FINE.
SPOIL--
--SPORT
NOW THEN... WAIT, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
TEE HEE!
WELL, I'M ON THE STAND, AREN'T I?

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**Dear Sonic-Grams,**
I think Sonic and Knuckles are the coolest dudes on planet Mobius! Sonic and Sally are perfect as a team but I'm a little frustrated that it didn't work out too well in issue 230.I hope that he'll be able to rescue Sally very soon before Eggman uses her again for evil.

***Based on the ending of this issue, I don't think the Freedom Fighters will be so lucky!***

If this is my first time I get my letter in, I'll be thrilled.

***We got ya covered!***

I loved Genesis and I hope someday it will follow through to Sonic 3 and 4. The Genesis Sonic games are my favorite Sonic games in Sonic history! Anyways, I've read Sonic since issue 131 and now I'm reading issue 231.That's a lot of issues! I hope I'll collect all the missing story gaps in my collection by issue 300 in 2016!

***Check the collector sets on archiecomics.com to start filling in issue gaps, but anything you can't find there are available in the Sonic Graphic Novels! Not to mention the Sonic App where you can download nearly every Sonic issue! plugplugplugplug***

Please understand, I've been trying to get my letter in the comics since the Iron Dominion Saga happened! I'm surprised that said saga went on for such a long while!

***Sonic's longest saga yet, at a whoppin' 16 issues! Yelpin' Yagyu that's a lot of issues!***

I wouldn't be surprised if I'm not the only fan asking. I have been a very loyal Sonic fan for the past ten years playing Sonic and reading Sonic. I'll have the usual.

***Shoot!***

Can I be Sonic's #1.2 fan please? I'm Sonic's happy go lucky fan!

***hmmm you ALSO wish to share the coveted decimal fan status? I suppose the council will allow it. Rise, Madam Kristy of the Decimal!***

Are Mighty and Ray going on an adventure any time soon?

***We're gettin' there! Hold your HawkHawks!***

Does roboticization exist now in the post-Genesis world?

***Details on the existence of the old immunities will continue to be revealed as we embark on our road to 250!***

Will Amy date Sonic any time soon?

***Can't tell ya!***

Did Sonic get his speed from a power ring?

***Sonic's speed in enhanced by power rings, but aren't necessarily the cause of his speedy demeanor.***

I've wanted a conversational reply for so long! Happy 20th anniversary Sonic!! Bye.

**Sonic's happy go lucky fan,**
**Kristy C.**
**sent to sonic@archiecomics.com**

***Thanks for writing in, Kristy! Hope you enjoy what we've got in store for you!***

**Dear Sonic-Grams,**
Issue 232 was just spectacular! But it has made me fearful of whether or not the Brotherhood of Guardians will return. I need my Spectre Back XD.

**Thanks!**
**Alex T.**
**sent to sonic@archiecomics.com**

***Thanks for the letter, Alex! Yea the future certainly seems bleak for the lost Brotherhood, but hey, Knuckles has got quite a full plate as it is! Check the Knuckles Archives GN series for all the Guardian-Goodness your heart desires! Volume 2 is coming soon! plugplugplugplug***

***See y'all next month!***

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